

AN ACT

relating to the use of address-matching software by certain state agencies.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Section 2176.201, Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 2176.201. USE OF CERTAIN MAIL SERVICES. (a) Notwithstanding another law that requires the use of certain mail services, a state agency may use any form of mail service available from the United States Postal Service to lower postal costs whenever acceptable levels of accountability, timeliness, security, and quality of service can be maintained.


(b) If practicable, a state agency must use address-matching software that meets certification standards under the Coding Accuracy Support System adopted by the United States Postal Service or that meets any subsequent standard adopted by the United States Postal Service to replace Coding Accuracy Support System standards for preparation of bulk mailings. If a state agency contracts with a provider for bulk mailing services, the contract must require that the provider use address-matching software that meets or exceeds certification standards under the Coding Accuracy Support System or subsequent standards adopted by the United States Postal Service.

SECTION 2. Subchapter C, Chapter 521, Transportation Code,

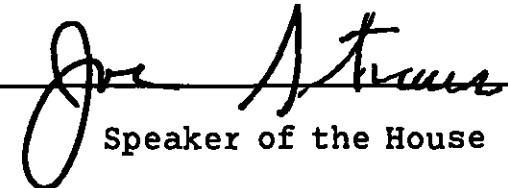
1 is amended by adding Section 521.063 to read as follows:

2       Sec. 521.063. MAILING ADDRESS VERIFICATION SYSTEM. The  
3 department by rule shall establish a system to ensure that  
4 addresses of driver's license holders are verified and matched to  
5 United States Postal Service delivery addresses by use of  
6 address-matching software. The software must meet certification  
7 standards under the Coding Accuracy Support System adopted by the  
8 United States Postal Service or a subsequent standard adopted by  
9 the United States Postal Service to replace Coding Accuracy Support  
10 System standards for preparation of bulk mailings. If the  
11 department contracts with a provider for bulk mailing services, the  
12 contract must require that the provider use address-matching  
13 software that meets or exceeds certification standards under the  
14 Coding Accuracy Support System or subsequent standards adopted by  
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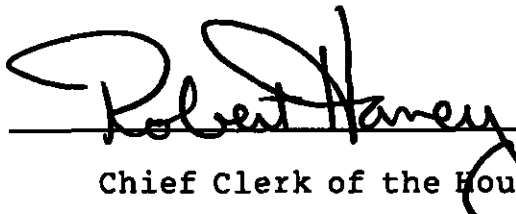
16       SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2011.

  
President of the Senate

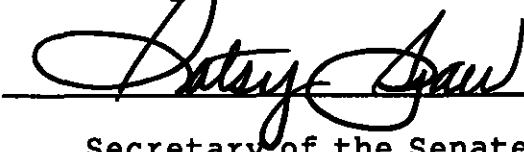
H.B. No. 266

  
Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 266 was passed by the House on April 7, 2011, by the following vote: Yeas 144, Nays 0, 1 present, not voting.

  
Chief Clerk of the House

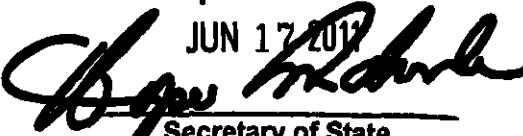
I certify that H.B. No. 266 was passed by the Senate on May 17, 2011, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

  
Secretary of the Senate.

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Date

  
Governor

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